

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 891
By Hagood

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Howard Pinkston of
Knoxville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Howard Pinkston; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pinkston was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pinkston had most recently served with acumen and alacrity as a Knox County Commissioner, in which position he earned the respect of his constituents, peers, and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, an astute businessman, Mr. Pinkston was employed by Burgin Dodge before beginning the operation of Pinkston Motors with his older brother in 1973; and

WHEREAS, Pinkston Motors was known throughout the State as a "political clearinghouse" and a "must-stop" for Republican campaigns; and

WHEREAS, upon being elected to the Knox County Commission, Mr. Pinkston served in various capacities, and was recognized as one of the most influential voices on the Commission; Commissioner Pinkston served his native South Knoxville for four consecutive terms; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pinkston was an active and devout member of the Sevier Heights Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for many years as a deacon; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to his family, Howard Pinkston always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his father, Paul Pinkston, Sr., and his sister, Joni Pinkston Nine; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Pinkston enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Elizabeth "Libby" Pinkston, and was the proud father of Scott Pinkston and Doug Pinkston; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Pinkston will be also deeply missed by his mother, Mildred Pinkston; sister, Barbara Pinkston; brother, Paul Pinkston, Jr. and nephew, Greg Pinkston; and

WHEREAS, Howard Pinkston leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Mr. Howard Pinkston, reflecting fondly upon his dedication to the people of South Knoxville, his impeccable character, and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Pinkston.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.